

EVC/Bioregion Benchmark for Vegetation Quality Assessment

East Gippsland Uplands bioregion

EVC 14: Banksia Woodland

Description:

Open scrub to open woodland to 10 m tall on well-drained Quaternary and Tertiary sandy soils. The overstorey is dominated by Saw Banksia *Banksia serrata*, sometimes with emergent eucalypts while the understorey is shrub-rich.

Large trees:

Species	DBH(cm)	#/ha
<i>Banksia serrata</i>	50 cm	15 / ha

Tree Canopy Cover:

%cover	Character Species	Common Name
15%	<i>Banksia serrata</i>	Saw Banksia

Understorey:

Life form	#Spp	%Cover	LF code
Immature Canopy Tree		5%	IT
Understorey Tree or Large Shrub	1	5%	T
Medium Shrub	10	25%	MS
Small Shrub	7	15%	SS
Large Herb	1	1%	LH
Medium Herb	5	10%	MH
Small or Prostrate Herb	1	1%	SH
Large Tufted Graminoid	3	10%	LTG
Large Non-tufted Graminoid	1	5%	LNG
Medium to Small Tufted Graminoid	5	10%	MTG
Medium to Tiny Non-tufted Graminoid	2	5%	MNG
Ground Fern	2	10%	GF
Scrambler or Climber	3	1%	SC
Bryophytes/Lichens	na	10%	BL

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LF Code	Species typical of at least part of EVC range	Common Name
MS	<i>Epacris impressa</i>	Common Heath
MS	<i>Leptospermum continentale</i>	Prickly Tea-tree
MS	<i>Acacia terminalis</i>	Sunshine Wattle
MS	<i>Acacia suaveolens</i>	Sweet Wattle
SS	<i>Dampiera stricta</i>	Blue Dampiera
SS	<i>Amperea xiphioclada</i> var. <i>xiphioclada</i>	Broom Spurge
SS	<i>Tetratheca pilosa</i>	Hairy Pink-bells
SS	<i>Dillwynia glaberrima</i>	Smooth Parrot-pea
MH	<i>Gonocarpus teucroides</i> s.l.	Germander Raspwort
MH	<i>Selaginella uliginosa</i>	Swamp Selaginella
MH	<i>Drosera peltata</i> ssp. <i>auriculata</i>	Tall Sundew
LTG	<i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	Spiny-headed Mat-rush
LTG	<i>Xanthorrhoea resinosa</i>	Spear Grass-tree
LTG	<i>Gahnia clarkei</i>	Tall Saw-sedge
LNG	<i>Tetrarrhena juncea</i>	Forest Wire-grass
MTG	<i>Dianella caerulea</i> var. <i>caerulea</i>	Paroo Lily
MTG	<i>Patersonia glabrata</i>	Leafy Purple-flag
MTG	<i>Lepidosperma laterale</i>	Variable Sword-sedge
MTG	<i>Burchardia umbellata</i>	Milkmaids
MNG	<i>Empodisma minus</i>	Spreading Rope-rush
GF	<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>	Austral Bracken
GF	<i>Lindsaea linearis</i>	Screw Fern
SC	<i>Cassytha glabella</i>	Slender Dodder-laurel
SC	<i>Cassytha phaeolasia</i>	Rusty Dodder-laurel
SC	<i>Billardiera scandens</i>	Common Apple-berry

Recruitment:

Episodic/Fire. Desirable period between disturbances is 30 years.

Organic Litter:

40 % cover

Logs:

15 m/0.1 ha.

Weediness:

There are no consistent weeds in this EVC.

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